

The 2nd Maine Occupational Safety & Health Research Symposium

*Using Research to Improve Workplace
Safety & Health*

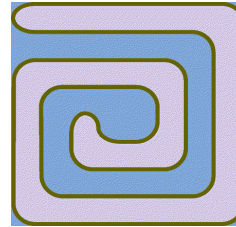
MAY 21 & 22, 2003

*at the University of New England's
Westbrook College Campus
Portland, Maine*



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MAINE OCCUPATIONAL RESEARCH AGENDA

The Maine Occupational Research Agenda (MORA) grew out of the 1st Maine Occupational Safety and Health Research Symposium, presented by the Maine Department of Labor in August 2000. MORA's mission is to develop occupational safety and health research priorities and guide their implementation for Maine.

What Does MORA Do?

- Fosters safety and health research in Maine
- Builds research partnerships
- Promotes a comprehensive occupational injury and illness surveillance system for Maine
- Sets priorities for research
- Supports outreach and education programs

Why is Research Important?

- Research identifies successful approaches to health and safety concerns.
- Complete data helps target resources where they can do the most good.
- Workplace-based research creates a rich array of relevant best practices.
- Research helps employers know if their approaches to safety and health problems work.
- Research pinpoints cost-effective prevention strategies.

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AGENDA

WEDNESDAY MAY 21st

8:30 am Registration
9:15 am Keynote: Nancy A. Stout, Ed.D.
Lighting the Way: The Role of Research in
Protecting Workers
10:30 am Breakout Sessions 1
12:00 pm Lunch and Slide Talk by Photojournalist Earl Dotter
1:30 pm Breakout Sessions 2
2:45 pm POSTER SESSIONS & EARL DOTTER PHOTO EXHIBIT
3:30 pm Breakout Sessions 3
6:00 pm Reception in the Art Gallery
7:00 pm Downeast Lobster Bake

THURSDAY May 22nd

8:00 am Keynote: Glenn Pransky, M.D., Ph.D.
How Research Leads to Change:
Case Studies in Occupational Health
8:45 am What is MORA?
9:45 am Breakout Sessions 4
11:30 am Wrap-Up
12:00 pm Adjourn

Photojournalist **Earl Dotter** has spent 30 years photographing American workers at risk. His new photography exhibit, "THE PRICE OF FISH: Our Nation's Most Perilous Job Takes Life and Limb in New England," documents the hazards of our fishing industry.

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About the Symposium



The Maine Department of Labor in association with its private and public partners is hosting its 2nd Occupational Safety & Health Research Symposium. This symposium serves as a catalyst to promote occupational safety and health research in Maine under the guidance of the Maine Occupational Research Agenda (MORA) Steering Committee. MORA was formulated through the cooperative efforts of business, labor, academia, medical providers, safety and health organizations, and state agencies under the sponsorship of the Maine Department of Labor.

This symposium serves numerous objectives aimed at preventing occupational injury and illness through research and prevention. They include:

- Presenting current research findings;
- Fostering collaboration among researchers from a broad range of disciplines and perspectives, and exploring underutilized disciplines and topic areas;
- Identifying some best practices in the area of intervention;
- Exploring the cost-effectiveness of injury prevention strategies and interventions;
- Showcasing innovative and high technology approaches to research and prevention;
- Continuing to promote the implementation of MORA;
- Providing a forum for reporting and fostering research needs identified by MORA.

WHO SHOULD ATTEND

Medical providers, employers, employees, industrial hygienists, safety professionals, public-health professionals, legislators, labor representatives, insurance providers, researchers, educators, and community members concerned about the safety and health of workers.

FEATURED SPEAKERS

KEYNOTE: Nancy A. Stout, Ed.D., Director of the Division of Safety Research, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

KEYNOTE: Glenn Pransky, M.D., Ph.D., Associate Professor in the Department of Family Medicine and Community Health and Director of the Liberty Mutual Center for Disability Research

Jane Garland, C.I.H., Occupational Health Specialist, Maine Department of Labor

David Parker, M.D., M.P.H., Park Nicollet Health System

Gregg Speed, Vice President and General Manager of Safety & Loss Control, Hancock Lumber

Thomas St. Louis, M.S.P.H., Epidemiologist, Connecticut Department of Public Health

Anne Tencza, R.N., B.S., C.O.H.N.-S., Administrator, Eastern New York Occupational & Environmental Health Center

For details of speakers and topics, go to www.Maine.gov/labor/bls/MORA.htm

BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Breakout Session 1: Wed., 10:30 am to 12:00 pm

- 1A Best Practices in Occupational Health
- 1B Cultural and Language Barriers to Occupational Safety & Health
- 1C Outreach Partnerships
- 1D Best Practices in Occupational Safety
- 1E Maine's Occupational Health & Safety Data

Breakout Session 2: Wed., 1:30 to 2:45 pm

- 2A The Impact of Safety Culture on Injury and Illness
- 2B Change Strategies
- 2C Promoting a Safe Future: Safety & Health Training in Secondary Schools
- 2D Issues for Agricultural Workers
- 2E Best Practices in Occupational Health & Safety

Breakout Session 3: Wed., 3:30 to 4:30 pm

- 3A Best Practices in Occupational Medicine
- 3B How to Measure the Success of Safety Improvements: Intervention Effectiveness Research
- 3C Cost Data: What Can We Learn From It?
- 3D The Success of Near Miss Reporting Programs

Breakout Session 4: Thurs., 9:45 to 11:15 am

- 4A Challenges in Occupational Asthma
- 4B Concerns for an Aging Workforce
- 4C Reducing Toxic Exposures at Work
- 4D Monitoring Occupational Fatalities
- 4E Back Injuries in Healthcare Settings

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